

# Secured By Design – Smack, Bang, Central

Midlands based fabricator, CentralRPL's PVC-U windows and doors now offer enhanced security performance following Secured By Design approval across the company's entire product range.

Gary Morton, MD of CentralRPL explains: "Secured By Design (SBD) is the official UK Police flagship initiative combining the principles of designing out crime with physical security.

"Since the acquisition of CentralRPL by the Boing Boing Group in 2015, we've been working hard to align our product and service portfolio, including a full system move and selection of the very best hardware and ancillary products on

the market. With that process now complete, we commissioned some very rigorous independent testing of our PVC-U window and door products, resulting in Secured By Design approval on our entire product range."

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Morton continues: "In addition, we were also able to get SBD approval across the aluminium products we offer through our sister company, CentralASL, thanks to the PAS24 status of the Optimo range of windows and bi-fold, entrance and patio doors designed by AluK. "In a world where we are seeing increasing relevance for enhanced security standards,



independently obtaining this level of accreditation backs up our commitment to providing the very best products to our installer customers." [i](#)

## Saving A Bit Of Time

# OmnBohrer



Drill bits in Makita's OmniBohrer multi-purpose range are suitable for use with a diverse range of materials.

Those materials include concrete, tile, brick, slate, limestone, wood, composite materials, aluminium and plastics - totally eliminating the need to switch between bit types, according to the company.

The collection of 25 drill bits, ranging from 3–14mm diameter and lengths of 60–400mm, feature a high quality tungsten carbide tip that can be used for different applications across various industries.

The range will be welcomed by those using multi-layer or composite materials such as that used in the manufacture of windows and doors, or for fixing wood or metal to brickwork without the need to switch bit types. [i](#)



## Cleaning Up In Films

A new professional cleaner has been launched for use on profiles laminated with Renolit Exofol exterior films.

Homeowners are recommended that warm soapy water and a soft sponge is usually all that is needed to keep window frames looking pristine. However, immediately after installation, additional support may be needed as construction dirt, adhesive residue and stubborn marks can all contribute to spoiling the look of new windows. Exofol Professional Cleaner is available in the UK to the window trade, directly from Renolit. The film specialist has developed the characteristics of its own cleaner to be specifically aligned with the properties of its Renolit Exofol exterior products.

The product is supplied in one litre cans, which are sold individually or in packs of 10. [i](#)


## Pulling Power



**New fully suited cylinder pulls and escutcheons are now available from greenteQ – and in a range six different finishes.**

The cylinder pull shrouds the profile cylinder, providing a 20mm underhang so the user can pull the door open or closed. The underhang is ideal on doors where there is no other ‘pull point’, such as a handle or pad. This discourages misuse of the profile cylinder key or the letterbox flap to open the door.

The 51 mm diameter circular escutcheon has no underhang and is chamfered to combat unlawful removal. Internal and external components for both the cylinder pull and circular escutcheons are sold separately, allowing door fabricators to mix and match colours on the inside and outside slab.

Colour matched fixings are sold with the internal hardware. For external pulls and escutcheons, a flange is in place to prevent cylinder removal. The two products can also be mixed and matched, as both have a fixing centre of 38mm. Gary Gleeson, at VBH, the firm behind greenteQ, says: “Both the cylinder pull and circular escutcheon have been designed with security in mind, as well as appearance. The greenteQ 10-year guarantee also comes as standard across the range.” 

## Technical Advice – Experts On Hand



**When choosing new hardware to complement a door or window portfolio specification, customers will want to be confident that it will meet agreed standards for safety, reliability and quality.**

The Technical Service Team at Yale (pictured) can provide expert advice and support on product specification, selection and testing, giving peace of mind that you’ve got the right product specification whatever the application.

Gareth Phillips, Technical Services Manager for Yale, says: “We aim to offer attentive support to our customers and work very closely to help ensure they get their product specification right. We are on hand to provide our technical expertise from the start of the design, build and fabrication process, right through the testing phase to the final accreditation. “We appreciate that product testing and certification is a big investment and we aim to help our customers to avoid inappropriate product selection and potential test failures creating confidence when it comes to the final BSI Kitemark testing.” 


## In-House Services Deliver Speedy Results

**Senior Architectural Systems has reported a significant rise in the number of trade customers asking for its recently launched Ali range of aluminium doors and windows.**

Following a number of new product developments, Senior has strengthened its domestic offering to include the Ali Vu window and Ali Fold door range and has gone on to secure both new trade accounts and new domestic contracts.

The company has also made a number of key investments in

its in-house facilities, ranging from upgrading its delivery fleet to improving the efficiency of its powder-coating line. Senior has recently expanded its storage capacity for its Ali aluminium patio and bi-folding door profiles. The facility enables Senior to hold a greater amount of stock and offer some of the shortest lead times in the industry. Short lead times for non-standard colour powder coated profiles

can also be guaranteed as rather than outsourcing, all powder-coating can be done in house. 

**SAS has a fleet of 17 five star eco delivery vehicles.**

